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## Arms and Explosives

*Number of licences granted in Cuddapah district from* 1910—20.

* 359 *Q.*—Mr. A. Parasurama Rao : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of licences granted under the Arms Act in the Cuddapah district in the last decade (1910—20) and subsequently till 1928 ; and

(*b*) the reasons for the decrease, if any ?

*A.*—(*a*) The number is as shown below :—

| Year. | Number of licences in force. | Year. | Number of licences in force. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1910 ... ... | 2,710 | 1919 ... ... | 1,279 |
| 1911 ... ... | 1,337 | 1920 ... ... | 1,421 |
| 1912 ... ... | 1,292 | 1921 ... ... | 1,404 |
| 1913 ... ... | 1,267 | 1922 ... ... | 1,589 |
| 1914 ... ... | 1,224 | 1923 ... ... | 1,562 |
| 1915 ... ... | 1,230 | 1924 ... ... | 1,674 |
| 1916 ... ... | 1,285 | 1925 ... ... | 1,702 |
| 1917 ... ... | 1,211 | 1926 ... ... | 1,726 |
| 1918 ... ... | 1,271 | 1927 ... ... | 1,802 |

(*b*) The decrease in 1911 and 1912 was due partly to the transfer of Madanapalle and Vayalpad taluks to Chittoor district and partly to the cancellation in 1912 of many licences owing to a number of riots in which the licensees were concerned. The variations in other years do not seem to call for any special explanation.

## European Education

*Exemption of European and Anglo-Indian girls from payment of school fees.*

* 360 *Q.*—Mr. V. I. Muniswami Pillai : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that he called for a list of poor girls studying in European and Anglo-Indian girls' schools in some of the districts and exempted them from payment of school-fees ; and

(*b*) if so, what is the amount involved thereby ?

*A.*—(*a*) The answer is in the negative.

(*b*) Does not arise

## Labour

*Intervention of Government in the settlement of the South Indian Railway strike.*

* 361 *Q.*—Mr. S. Satyamurti : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) why the Labour Commissioner did not do anything during the whole period of the Railway strike to settle the dispute and why he did not go even to Trichinopoly ;